1 State of New Hampshire Banking Department In re the Matter of:)Case No.: 08-378 2 State of New Hampshire Banking 3 4 Department,)Order to Show Cause 5 Petitioner,) and 6 and) Cease and Desist Order 7 First Call Mortgage Company, Inc., Kathleen L. Donovan, Carl D. McFadden,) 8 George Vanderheiden, Peter S. Lynch and) 9 Carolyn A. Lynch as Joint Tenants, 10 James Arthur Lesmerises, David Allen 11 12 Kesler, Dennis Wright, 13 Respondents 14 15 16 17 NOTICE OF ORDER This Order commences an adjudicative proceeding under the provisions of 18 RSA 397-A, RSA 541-A, BAN 200 and JUS 800. 19 LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION 20 Pursuant to RSA 397-A:17, the Banking Department of the State of New 21 Hampshire (hereinafter the "Department") has the authority to issue an order 22 to show cause why license revocation and penalties for violations of New 23 Hampshire Banking laws should not be imposed. 24 Pursuant to RSA 397-A:18, the Banking Department of the State of New

Hampshire (hereinafter the "Department") has the authority to issue a

complaint setting forth charges whenever the Department is of the opinion that the licensee or person over whom the Department has jurisdiction is violating or has violated any provision of RSA Chapter 397-A, rule or order thereunder.

Pursuant to RSA 397-A:18 II, the Banking Department of the State of New Hampshire (hereinafter the "Department") has the authority to issue and cause to be served an order requiring any person engaged in any act or practice constituting a violation of RSA 397-A or any rule or order thereunder, to cease and desist from violations of RSA 397-A.

Pursuant to RSA 397-A:20, the Commissioner may issue, amend, or rescind such orders as are reasonably necessary to comply with the provisions of the Chapter.

Pursuant to RSA 397-A:21, the Commissioner has the authority to suspend, revoke or deny any license and to impose administrative penalties of up to \$2,500.00 for each violation of New Hampshire banking law and rules.

Pursuant to RSA 383:10-d, the Commissioner shall investigate conduct that is or may be an unfair or deceptive act or practice under RSA 358-A and exempt under RSA 358-A:3, I or that may violate any of the provisions of Titles XXXV and XXXVI and administrative rules adopted thereunder. The Commissioner may hold hearings relative to such conduct and may order restitution for a person or persons adversely affected by such conduct. The Commissioner may utilize all remedies available under the Act.

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST A HEARING

The above named Respondents have the right to request a hearing on this Order to Show Cause and Cease and Desist Order, as well as the right to be represented by counsel at each Respondent's own expense. All hearings shall comply with RSA 541-A. Any such request for a hearing shall be in writing, and signed by the Respondent or the duly authorized agent of the above named

Respondent, and shall be delivered either by hand or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Banking Department, State of New Hampshire, 53 Regional Drive, Suite 200, Concord, NH 03301.

Such hearings will be scheduled within 10 days of the request. Within 20 days of the date of any such hearing, the Commissioner shall issue a further order either vacating this Order or making it permanent as the facts require. All hearings shall comply with RSA 541-A. If the Respondent fails to appear at the hearing after being duly notified, such person shall be deemed in default, and the proceeding may be determined against the Respondents upon consideration of the Order to Show Cause and Cease and Desist Order, the allegations of which may be deemed to be true.

If any of the above named Respondents fails to request a hearing within 30 calendar days of receipt of such order or reach formal settlement with the Department within that time frame, then such person shall likewise be deemed in default, and the orders shall, on the thirty-first day, become permanent, and shall remain in full force and effect until and unless later modified or vacated by the commissioner, for good cause shown.

STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS, APPLICABLE LAWS AND REQUEST FOR RELIEF

The <u>Staff Petition</u> dated September 24, 2008 (a copy of which is attached hereto) is incorporated by reference hereto.

ORDER

WHEREAS, finding it necessary and appropriate and in the public interest, and consistent with the intent and purposes of the New Hampshire banking laws, and

WHEREAS, finding that the allegations contained in the Staff Petition, if proved true and correct, form the legal basis of the relief requested,

It is hereby ORDERED, that:

- 1. Respondent First Call Mortgage Company, Inc. ("Respondent First Call Mortgage") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$767,500.00 should not be imposed against it individually and therefore, jointly and severally for each of the individual penalties for each remaining Respondent;
- 2. Respondent Kathleen L. Donovan ("Respondent Donovan") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$767,500.00 should not be imposed against her personally and therefore, jointly and severally for each of the individual penalties for each remaining Respondent;
- 3. Respondent Carl D. McFadden ("Respondent McFadden") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$767,500.00 should not be imposed against him personally and therefore, jointly and severally for each of the individual penalties for each remaining Respondent;
- 4. Respondent George Vanderheiden ("Respondent Vanderheiden")
 show cause why penalties in the amount of \$85,000.00 should
 not be imposed against him personally and therefore, jointly
 and severally for each of the individual penalties for each
 remaining Respondent;
- 5. Respondent Peter S. Lynch and Carolyn A. Lynch as joint tenants ("Respondent Mr. and Mrs. Lynch") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$85,000.00 should not be imposed against them personally and therefore, jointly and severally for each of the individual penalties for each remaining Respondent;
- 6. Respondent James Arthur Lesmerises ("Respondent Lesmerises") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$47,500.00

should not be imposed against him personally and therefore, jointly and severally for each of the individual penalties for each remaining Respondent;

- 7. Respondent David Allen Kesler ("Respondent Kesler") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$70,000.00 should not be imposed against him personally and therefore, jointly and severally for each of the individual penalties for each remaining Respondent;
- 8. Respondent Dennis Wright ("Respondent Wright") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$85,000.00 should not be imposed against him personally and therefore, jointly and severally for each of the individual penalties for each remaining Respondent;
- 9. The above named Respondents shall show cause why, in addition to the penalties listed in paragraphs 1 through 8 above,

 Respondents shall show cause why a refund should not be given of any and all commissions and application fees received or charged from consumers from loans processed through the Portsmouth, NH branch office when it was unlicensed;
- 10. The above named Respondents shall show cause why, in addition to the penalties listed in paragraphs 1 through 9 above, Respondent First Call Mortgage should not refund the yield spread premium of \$7,297.50 charged to Consumer A but not disclosed;
- 11. The above named Respondents shall show cause why, in addition to the penalties listed in paragraphs 1 through 10 above, Respondent First Call Mortgage should not refund the \$89.00 duplicate recording fee charged to Consumer F; and

1	12. The above named Respondents shall cause why, in addition to
2	the penalties listed in paragraphs 1 through 11 above,
3	Respondent First Call Mortgage's license should not be
4	revoked.
5	It is hereby further ORDERED that:
6	13. In addition to the \$7,297.50 due Consumer A, the \$89 due
	Consumer F, and the refund due consumers from the unlicensed
7	Portsmouth branch, the \$760,000.00 administrative penalty fo
8	each Respondent shall be immediately paid;
9	14. The Respondents shall immediately Cease and Desist from all
10	violations of New Hampshire law and the rules promulgated
11	thereunder; and
12	15. Failure to request a hearing within 30 days of the date of
	receipt of this Order shall result in a default judgment
13	being rendered and administrative penalties imposed upon the
14	defaulting Respondents(s).
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Respondent First Call Mortgage.

- 3. Respondent Donovan was, until on or about August 24, 2007, a 5% owner of Respondent First Call Mortgage.
- 4. Respondent Carl D. McFadden (hereinafter "Respondent McFadden") is, or was at all relevant times, President and Chief Executive Officer of Respondent First Call Mortgage.
- Respondent McFadden was, until on or about August 24, 2007, a 95% owner of Respondent First Call Mortgage.
- 6. Respondent McFadden, as of August 24, 2007, is a 50% owner of Respondent First Call Mortgage.
- 7. Vanderheiden Respondent George (hereinafter "Respondent Vanderheiden"), as of August 24, 2007, is a 25% Respondent First Call Mortgage.
- Respondent Peter S. Lynch and Carolyn A. Lynch, as joint tenants 8. (hereinafter "Respondent Mr. and Mrs. Lynch), as of August 24, 2007, is a 13% owner of Respondent First Call Mortgage.
- 9. The remaining owners are minority owners and do not fall within the definition of Principal Owner as defined in RSA Chapter 397-Α.
- 10. On or about March 26, 2007, the Department approved Respondent James Arthur Lesmerises (hereinafter "Respondent Lesmerises") as Branch Manager for Respondent First Call Mortgage located at 264 South River Road in Bedford, NH 03110.
- Respondent Lesmerises allegedly ceased operating in his capacity 11. as Branch Manager in July 2007 and was no longer employed by

1	Safeguarding Customer Information, 16 C.F.R. Section 314.4(a) via RSA 397-
2	<u>A:2,III (1 Count):</u>
3	Violation of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, Title V, and Standards for
4	Safeguarding Customer Information, 16 C.F.R. Section 314.4(b) via RSA 397-
5	A:2,III (1 Count):
6	Violation of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, Title V, and Standards for
7	Safeguarding Customer Information, 16 C.F.R. Section 314.4(c) via RSA 397-
8	<u>A:2,III (1 Count):</u>
9	Violation of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, Title V, and Standards for
LO	Safeguarding Customer Information, 16 C.F.R. Section 314.4(d) via RSA 397-
11	<u>A:2,III (1 Count):</u>
L2	Violation of the Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, Title V, and Standards for
13	Safeguarding Customer Information, 16 C.F.R. Section 314.4(e) via RSA 397-
L4	<u>A:2,III (1 Count):</u>
15	Violation of RSA 397-A:17,I(1) Violation of Federal Laws and Rules (6
L6	Counts):
L7	Violation of RSA 397-A:12, VIII Failure to Correct Reported Deficiencies (2
18	<u>Count):</u>
19	15. Paragraphs 1 through 14 are hereby realleged as fully set forth
20	herein.
21	16. The above named Respondents have failed to maintain a comprehensive
22	information security program.
23	17. The above named Respondents are required to develop, implement, and
24	maintain a comprehensive information security program (hereinafter
25	"Information Security Program" that is written in one or more
	readily accessible parts and contains administrative, technical,

and physical safeguards.

- 18. This Information Security Program was required to be implemented by May 23, 2003 and was to contain the following:
 - A. a designated employee to:
 - (1). coordinate the program;
 - (2). perform a risk assessment;
 - (3). design, implement and regularly test safeguard controls;
 - (4). monitor service providers and enter into contracts that require service providers to implement and maintain appropriate safeguards; and
 - (5). evaluate and adjust the program as necessary.
- 19. In 2007, the above named Respondents had a two page policy entitled "Information Security". This policy briefly described technical safeguards in place, but provided no other specific administrative or physical safeguards in place, nor did it contain any of the required elements as described above.
- 20. The above named Respondents also do not have safeguards in place to secure consumers' non-public personal information.
- 21. During the February 12, 2007 examination, there was no one at the front desk or immediate area in Respondent First Call Mortgage's principal office. After waiting a few minutes, the Examiner proceeded to walk throughout the principal office undetected.

- 22. The Examiner located two small offices labeled "closing rooms".

 Neither "closing room" contained any locks but contained numerous boxes of old closed and denied/withdrawn files, some of which were labeled as New Hampshire borrowers.
- 23. As the Examiner continued undetected through the principal office, the Examiner noted that all offices and cubicles contained non-public personal information such as borrower social security numbers and bank account numbers in plain view on and around the desks. Some offices contained borrower information scattered on the floor and under desks.
- 24. Since Respondent First Call Mortgage's employees failed to shut off or log off their individual computers, the Examiner was able to gain access to the individual computer of three employees (labeled herein as Employee A, B, and C).
- 25. Employee C's computer contained an excel spreadsheet on the computer's desktop labeled "Patty's Passwords", which contained passwords for all commonly used programs, including Respondent First Call Mortgage's loan software. As a result, the Examiner was able to gain access to multiple amounts of confidential information.
- 26. The above named Respondents utilized shred bins situated near common areas containing copiers and facsimile machines. Documents that are to be shredded are put in the bin and are disposed of by a third party data destruction service. Both bins were observed as half full and the bins did not have padlocks securing them, thus

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allowing anyone the ability to access the documents therein.

- 27. The above mentioned observations and concerns were addressed and discussed with Respondent Donovan and Respondent McFadden, separate meetings on February 12, 2007.
- 28. The examination continued the next day (February 13, 2007).
- 29. When the Examiner arrived in the morning, the front doors to the office were unlocked and once again there was no one present at the front desk. The Examiner again had free access to the building and was able to freely roam in and out of the office and cubicles.
- 30. The Examiner was able to locate two additional file rooms. Both of these offices had key locks but were not secured at the time of inspection and presumably left unlocked overnight.
- 31. Additionally, there was an open cubicle area that had approximately a dozen boxes of consumer loan files that were left unattended and unsecured.
- 32. Respondent Donovan responded to the 2007 Report of Examination.
- 33. The above named Respondents (in a letter from Respondent Donovan dated May 18, 2007) indicated Respondent Donovan has reviewed all of the Department's "comments and observations and has implemented corrective action, as well as amendments".
- 34. On or about July 16, 2008, Respondent Donovan verbally indicated to the Department's Examiner who conducted the 2007 examination and July 14, 2008 Department examination about certain safeguarding procedures.

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- 43. The annual report the above named Respondents filed for calendar year 2006 was inaccurate.
- 44. The annual report in question disclosed the number of brokered first mortgage loans and the number of subordinate lien loans.

 However, a review of the Annual Report work papers for calendar year 2006 revealed that the reported figures were table funded loans and did not include any of the total brokered loans in 2006.
- 45. The above named Respondents have admitted to the Department's observations herein. The above named Respondents (in a letter from Respondent Donovan dated May 18, 2007) indicated Respondent Donovan has reviewed all of the Department's "comments and observations and has implemented corrective action, as well as amendments".
- 46. Inaccurate filing of an annual report was the subject of the previous Department examination dated September 12, 2005, as well.
- 47. Based on the September 12, 2005 Department, the 2004 Annual Report included investment properties when they are to be excluded from such report.
- 48. Further, Respondent Donovan was omitted from the list of senior officers on the 2004 Annual Report.
- 49. The above named Respondents have admitted to the Department's observations herein. The above named Respondents (in a letter from Respondent Donovan dated January 26, 2006) indicated Respondent Donovan would be "within 21 days, [Respondent Donovan] would be refilling [sic] 2004 annual report with corrected information".

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1	Violation of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, Regulation X, 24
2	C.F.R. Section 3500.14(b) via RSA 397-A:2,III (41 Counts):
3	Violation of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, Regulation X, 24
4	C.F.R. Section 3500.14(d) via RSA 397-A:2,III (41 Counts):
5	Violation of RSA 397-A:17,I(1) Violation of Federal Laws and Rules (41
6	Counts):
7	Violation of RSA 397-A:12, VIII Failure to Correct Reported Deficiencies (30
8	Counts):
9	50. Paragraphs 1 through 49 are hereby realleged as fully set forth
10	herein.
11	51. The above named Respondents published an advertisement in Homes and
12	Land of Greater New Hampshire, a real estate booklet, for which
13	Respondents share an advertisement with a real estate broker named
14	NH Home Team H.B.N. Realty.
15	52. NH Home Team H.B.N. Realty received an invoice for two pages in the
16	magazine, for which Respondents reimbursed NH Home Team H.B.N.
17	Realty for one page.
18	53. On February 12, 2007, Respondent Donovan made representations to
19	the Department's Examiner that the content of Respondents' portion
20	of the advertisement is the same as demonstrated in Volume 10,
21	Number 5 of Homes and Land of Greater New Hampshire.
22	54. Although Respondents utilized space on two pages (that combined is
23	less than one page), Respondents reimbursed NH Home Team H.B.N.
24	Realty for the full cost of a one page advertisement.
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- 55. Providing "things of value" to a realtor was an observation and concern of a previous examinations of Respondent First Call Mortgage.
- 56. Providing "things of value" is prohibited by the Real Estate

 Settlement Procedures Act.
- 57. The above named Respondents have admitted to the Department's observations herein. The above named Respondents (in a letter from Respondent Donovan dated May 18, 2007) indicated Respondent Donovan has reviewed all of the Department's "comments and observations and has implemented corrective action, as well as amendments".
- 58. Providing a "thing of value" was the subject of the previous

 Department examination dated September 12, 2005, as well.
- 59. In the September 12, 2005 examinations, Respondents published an advertisement several times in *Home and Land*, a real estate booklet, for which it shared an advertisement with a real estate broker, NH Home Team, H.B.N Realty, which appears to be the same realtor as mentioned from the 2007 examination.
- 60. Although Respondent First Call Mortgage utilized one half of one page, it reimbursed NH Home Team. H.S.N. Realty for the full cost of a two page advertisement.
- 61. On September 13, 2005, Respondent Donovan represented to the Department's Examiner that this is a long-standing practice with her company, and it occurs with another real estate broker in Massachusetts. Respondent Donovan subsequently provided the Department with a check register and six months of advertisement

- 64. A consumer's file from April 2006 contained a HUD Settlement

 Statement that disclosed a yield spread premium was collected from
 the lender in the amount of \$7,297.50.
- 65. A review of the consumer's signed Good Faith Estimate revealed that no yield spread premium was disclosed, therefore, the Respondents are not entitled to the \$7,297.50.
- 66. Failing to disclose the yield spread premium was a concern in the past two Department examinations.
- 67. The above named Respondents have admitted to the Department's observations herein. The above named Respondents (in a letter from Respondent Donovan dated May 18, 2007) indicated Respondent Donovan has reviewed all of the Department's "comments and observations and has implemented corrective action, as well as amendments".
- 68. These are violations that were previously observed in the September 12, 2005 Department Examination.
- 69. Four loan files from the September 12, 2005 examination revealed that the yield spread premium was not disclosed on the Good Faith Estimate.
- 70. The above named Respondents have admitted to the Department's observations herein. The above named Respondents (in a letter from Respondent Donovan dated January 26, 2006) simply stated "In-house quality assurance checklist has been implemented and audits are being conducted of [on] a monthly basis to ensure that is being completed on all loans."

- open an additional branch in New Hampshire, specifically on Fleet Street in Portsmouth, New Hampshire.
- 77. Respondent Donovan further indicated that she was waiting for fingerprint cards for the branch manager before submitting the branch application.
- 78. Review of the Respondents' organizational chart in 2007 showed that Respondent Kesler was the Portsmouth branch's Branch Manager and there were three loan officers associated with this Portsmouth branch.
- 79. On February 22, 2007, two of the Department's Examiners went to the 155 Fleet Street, Portsmouth, NH location, which contained individual offices with a "shared receptionist".
- 80. The Department's Examiners asked this "shared receptionist" for First Call Mortgage Company, Inc. and were told he was with a client. The Department's Examiners subsequently left the premises with a business card for IOS Business Centers.
- 81. At approximately 2:00 p.m. on the same day, the Department's Examiner-In-Charge contacted IOS Business Centers, spoke with a woman who identified herself as Emily and asked for First Call Mortgage Company, Inc. Emily told the Department's Examiner-In-Charge that the gentleman was away from his desk and transferred the call to Respondent Kesler's voicemail.
- 82. The Department's records show that the Department received a branch application on or about February 26, 2007, which is four days after the Department's discussions with Respondent Donovan.

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- 108. The Department is in receipt of two such envelopes in which the
 United States Post Office was unable to deliver, and as a result,
 were returned to the Department for lack of a better return
 address.
- 109. These advertisements are of poor quality, making the advertising disclosure unreadable and thus, misleading or deceptive.
- 110. The above named Respondents have admitted to the Department's observations herein. The above named Respondents (in a letter from Respondent Donovan dated May 18, 2007) indicated Respondent Donovan has reviewed all of the Department's "comments and observations and has implemented corrective action, as well as amendments".

Violation of RSA 397-A:14-a, III Failure to Proper and Required Disclosure (1 Count):

- 111. Paragraphs 1 through 110 are hereby realleged as fully set forth herein.
- 112.Respondent First Call Mortgage's website, www.ftmc.net, failed to include the required disclosure "Licensed by the New Hampshire banking department."
- 113. The above named Respondents have admitted to the Department's observations herein. The above named Respondents (in a letter from Respondent Donovan dated May 18, 2007) indicated Respondent Donovan has reviewed all of the Department's "comments and observations and has implemented corrective action, as well as amendments".

1	Violation of RSA 397-A:6, I Failure to Supervise (1 Count):
2	Violation of RSA 397-A:17, I(g) Failure to Supervise (1 Count):
3	Violation of RSA 397-A:17, I(k) Dishonest or Unethical Practices (1 Count):
4	Violation of RSA 397-A:14-a, I Misleading or Deceptive Advertisements (2
5	Counts):
6	Violation of RSA 397-A:12, VIII Failure to Correct Reported Deficiencies (1
7	Count):
8	119.Paragraphs 1 through 118 are hereby realleged as fully set forth
9	herein.
10	120.Respondent First Call Mortgage's employees, Tami and Derrick
11	Heins, operate a website entitled www.heinsmortgage.com .
12	121.In conversations with Respondent Donovan on February 21, 2007, the
13	Department's Examiner discovered that the website has no
14	affiliation with the company and Respondent Donovan does not
15	review the content on the website, although it specifically states
16	that the individuals are employees of First Call Mortgage Company.
17	122.The above named Respondents are responsible for the supervision of
18	Respondent First Call Mortgage's employees and agents but do not
19	appear to have the appropriate controls in place in reference to
20	the above mentioned website.
21	123. The above named Respondents have admitted to the Department's
22	observations herein. The above named Respondents (in a letter
23	from Respondent Donovan dated May 18, 2007) indicated Respondent
24	Donovan has reviewed all of the Department's "comments and
25	observations and has implemented corrective action as well as

1	amendments".
2	124. The advertisement with www.heinsmortgage.com had still not been
3	corrected as of the July 14, 2008 Department examination;
4	therefore, this is a repeat violation.
5	Violation of RSA 397-A:5, II(d) Failure to Notify Department of Loan
6	Originators (5 Counts):
7	Violation of RSA 397-A:10, IV Failure to Update Information on File with
8	Commissioner (5 Counts):
9	125.Paragraphs 1 through 124 are hereby realleged as fully set forth
LO	herein.
11	126. The findings herein are as a result of the September 12, 2005
12	Department examination.
L3	127. Neither the Department nor the Commissioner was notified of the
L4	employment dates of five mortgage loan originators.
15	128. The above named Respondents have admitted to the Department's
16	observations herein. The above named Respondents (in a letter
L7	from Respondent Donovan dated January 26, 2006) indicated that
18	enclosed are the "missing dates for employees".
19	Violation of RSA 397-A:10, I Conducting Business under an Unauthorized Trade
20	Name or Name (2 Counts):
21	129.Paragraphs 1 through 128 are hereby realleged as fully set forth
22	herein.
23	130. The Department's Examiners discovered (in the September 12, 2005
24	Examination) that the Respondents were conducting business under
25	the unlicensed trade names of "First Call Mortgage" and "First

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1	Violation of NH Administrative Rule Ban 2408.03, which implements RSA 397-
2	A:14, III Wrong Loans Contain Daily Simple Interest (7 Counts):
3	Violation of RSA 397-A:6, I Failure to Supervise (7 Counts):
4	Violation of RSA 397-A:12, VIII Failure to Correct Reported Deficiencies (1
5	Count):
6	136.Paragraphs 1 through 135 are hereby realleged as fully set forth
7	herein.
8	137.Licensees must give consumers a daily simple interest disclosure
9	at the time of application for a loan containing a daily simple
10	interest.
11	138.Borrowers applying for loans that do not contain daily simple
12	interest provisions should not be given the disclosures.
13	139.At the September 12, 2005 examination, no files were reviewed that
14	contained daily simple interest provisions; however, Respondents
15	appeared to have given the disclosure to <u>all</u> borrowers, evidenced
16	in six files.
17	140. The above named Respondents have admitted to the Department's
18	observations herein. The above named Respondents (in a letter
19	from Respondent Donovan dated January 26, 2006) indicated that the
20	"Daily Simple Interest form removed in template. Has only beer
21	added to Equity loan templates."
22	141. The Department observed the same violation (including the Daily
23	Simple Interest Disclosures in loan files that did not require
24	them) during the July 14, 2008 Department examination.
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1	Violation of the Equal Credit Opportunity Act and Regulation B, 12 C.F.R.
2	Section 202.9(a)(2) via RSA 397-A:2,III (4 Counts):
3	Violation of the Equal Credit Opportunity Act and Regulation B, 12 C.F.R.
4	Section 202.9(b)(1) via RSA 397-A:2,III (4 Counts):
5	Violation of RSA 397-A:17,I(1) Violation of Federal Laws and Rules (4
6	Counts):
7	142.Paragraphs 1 through 141 are hereby realleged as fully set forth
8	herein.
9	143.In the September 12, 2005 examination, review of the
10	denied/cancelled files indicated that the adverse action notices
11	failed to identify the federal agency that administers compliance
12	with the law concerning this creditor (Respondent First Call
13	Mortgage) in four files.
14	144. The above named Respondents have admitted to the Department's
15	observations herein. The above named Respondents (in a letter
16	from Respondent Donovan dated January 26, 2006) simply supplied
17	the address "for the Federal Agency on the Credit Denial Form".
18	Violation of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, Regulation X, 24
19	C.F.R. Section 3500.14(c) via RSA 397-A:2,III (1 Count):
20	Violation of RSA 397-A:17,I(1) Violation of Federal Laws and Rules (1 Count):
21	145.Paragraphs 1 through 144 are hereby realleged as fully set forth
22	herein.
23	146.In the September 12, 2005 examination, the Department's examiners
24	discovered that the HUD-1 Settlement Statement for the Consumer F
25	file contained and \$89.00 fee to "Record 2 nd Mortgage".

- 157. Respondent Donovan provided the Department's Examiner a copy of a November 13, 2007 email from a John Harding to Respondent Donovan, which indicated that Consumer G's two loans both were considered primary residences and "`legit' when they were done".
- 158. Despite Mr. Harding's response, Respondents were aware that two loans were originated at the same time for two different properties, one of which was erroneously disclosed as a primary residence.
- 159. During the July 14, 2008 Department examination, Respondent Donovan provided the Department's Examiner information relative to a civil suit filed against Respondent First Call Mortgage for breach of contract. The legal suit was brought forth relative to the early payment default and the misrepresentation of occupancy for the Consumer G loan that closed on July 24, 2007.

II. ISSUES OF LAW

The staff of the Department, alleges the following issues of law:

- 1. The Department realleges the above stated facts in paragraphs 1 through 159 as fully set forth herein.
- 2. The Department has jurisdiction over the licensing and regulation of persons engaged in mortgage banker or broker activities pursuant to NH RSA 397-A:2 and RSA 397-A:3.
- 3. RSA 397-A:3 requires those in the business of making or brokering mortgage loans secured by real property located in this state, and not exempt from licensure, to obtain a license from the Department.

- 4. RSA 397-A:2, II requires any mortgage loans made or brokered under RSA Chapter 397-A to be further governed by any other applicable laws of the State of New Hampshire.
- 5. In 2005, Ban Rule 2408.03 (which implements RSA 397-A:14-a, III) provided that licensees are to provide daily simple interest disclosures only on loans containing daily simple interest provisions. Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least seven occasions as alleged above.
- 6. Licensees are required to provide a balloon note disclosure to all borrowers who apply for loan with a balloon note provision. See Ban Rule 2504.01.
- 7. In 2005, Ban Rule 2505.01 (which implements RSA 397-A:16) required disclosure of investors to the borrowers on rate lock commitments by the licensees. Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least six occasions as alleged above.
- 8. RSA 397-A:2, III requires persons subject to or licensed under RSA Chapter 397-A to abide by applicable federal laws and regulations, the laws and rules of the State of New Hampshire, and the orders of the Commissioner. Any violation of such law, regulation, order, or rule is a violation of RSA Chapter 397-A. Each of the above named Respondents violated this statute on at least 160 occasions as alleged above.
- 9. RSA 397-A:5, II(d) provided in 2005 and currently provides that each applicant shall provide a list of all individuals, and the address of the work location of each such individual, who will act

- as originators for the licensee. Each of the above named Respondents violated this statute on at least five occasions as alleged above.
- 10. RSA 397-A:5, III provides that licenses must be issued for mortgage lending or mortgage brokering activity occurring in a location in this state that is separate from the licensee's principal place of business and shall be referred to as a "branch office". Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above. Additionally, pursuant to RSA 397-A:16, IV and RSA 397-A:21, Respondents must forfeit all application fees and commissions stemming from loans processed and closed as related to those from the Portsmouth, NH branch office when not properly licensed.
- 11. RSA 397-A:6, I mandates that licensees supervise their employees, agents, loan originators, and branch offices. Each of the above named Respondents failed to adequately supervise and therefore violated this statute on at least nineteen occasions as alleged above.
- 12. RSA 397-A:10, I provides that no licensee shall conduct the business of a mortgage banker or mortgage broker under a trade name or any other name different from the name stated in its principal office license or branch office license without immediately notifying the Commissioner, who shall then amend the license accordingly. Each of the above named Respondents violated this statute on at least two occasions as alleged above.

- 13. RSA 397-A:10, II provides that licensees shall submit written notification to the Department of the addition or deletion of a principal and shall provide the name and address of each new principal no later than 30 days after such change. Each of the above named Respondents violated this statute on at least three occasions as alleged above.
- 14. RSA 397-A:10, IV provides that persons licensed under RSA Chapter 397 are under a continuing obligation to update information on file with the Commissioner. Each of the above named Respondents failed to update the Commissioner on at least nine occasions as alleged above.
- 15. RSA 397-A:12, IV provides that any agent of the Department may make a thorough examination into the business affairs of each licensee and shall report any violations of law, rule, or standard business practice to the Department. The above named Respondents violated this provision on at least three occasions as alleged above.
- 16. RSA 397-A:12, VIII provides that upon receipt of a written report of examination, the licensee shall have 30 days or such additional reasonable period as the Commissioner for good cause may allow., within which to review the report, recommend any changes and set forth in writing the remedial course of action the licensee will pursue to correct any reported deficiencies outlined in the report. The above named Respondents violation this provision on at least 38 occasions as alleged above.

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- 17. RSA 397-A:13, I provides that a licensee shall file its annual report on or before February 1 each year concerning operations for the preceding year or license period ending December 31. the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above.
- 18. RSA 397-A:14-a, I provides that no licensee or other person shall advertise, print, display, publish, distribute or broadcast or advertised, printed, displayed, published, permit to be distributed, or broadcast in any manner whatsoever any statement or representation with regard to the rates, terms, or conditions for the lending of money under the provisions of this chapter, which is misleading, or deceptive. Each of the above named Respondents violated this statute on at least three occasions as alleged above.
- 19. RSA 397-A:14-a, III provides that any advertisement, printing, display, publication, distribution, or broadcast offering loans governed by this chapter shall clearly and conspicuously contain the disclosure, "Licensed by the New Hampshire banking department". Failure to comply with the provisions of this paragraph shall constitute sufficient cause for license revocation, suspension, or denial. Each of the above named Respondents violated this statute on at least one occasion as alleged above.
- 20. RSA 397-A:16, I provides that licensees may charge fees and points for services rendered in conjunction with the origination, closing, and servicing of loans; provided, however, that the licensee issues

a written disclosure to the borrower stating the estimated amount and purpose of all fees and expenses within three business days of the receipt of a loan application. Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least eight occasions as alleged above.

- 21. RSA 397-A:16, IV provides that only mortgage brokers and mortgage bankers licensed under the provisions of RSA Chapter 397 shall be entitled to retain commissions for services rendered. Respondents must refund any and all such commissions and application fees (per RSA 397-A:21) received or charged from loans processed relating to the Portsmouth, NH branch office when the branch office was unlicensed. Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above.
- 22. RSA 397-A:17, I(f) provides that licensees are prohibited from making fraudulent misrepresentations, circumvent or conceal, through whatever subterfuge or device, any of the material particulars or the nature thereof required to be stated or furnished to a borrower under the provisions of this chapter. Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above.
- 23. RSA 397-A:17,I(g) provides that licensees engaging in business in New Hampshire must supervise their agents, originators, managers or employees. Each of the above named Respondents violated this statute on at least four occasions as alleged above.

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- 25. RSA 397-A:17,I(1) provides that licensees must abide by all federal laws or rules thereunder. The Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, Title V, Sec. 501(a) states that it is the policy of the Congress that each financial institution has an affirmative and continuing obligation to respect the privacy of its customers and to protect the security confidentiality of those customers' nonpublic information. Gramm-Leach-Bliley Act, Title V, The financial institutions to maintain the integrity of nonpublic personal information. Each of the above named Respondents violated this federal law on at least twenty-six occasions as alleged above.
- 26. 18 U.S.C. Section 1001, et seq., provides that except as otherwise provided in this section, whoever, in any matter within the jurisdiction of the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of the Government of the United States, knowingly and willfully (1) falsifies, conceals, or covers up by any trick, scheme, or device a material fact; (2) makes any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statement or representation; or (3) makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the same to contain any materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent or entry; shall be fined under this title, imprisoned not more than 5 years... Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least

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- 27. The Equal Credit Opportunity Act and Regulation B, 12 C.F.R. Section 202.9(a)(2) requires a creditor (here Respondent First Call Mortgage) to notify the consumer in writing when an adverse action is taken against a loan applicant. The notification, among other information, shall include the name and address of the federal agency that administers compliance with respect to the creditor (here First Call Mortgage). Each of the above named Respondents violated this federal law on at least four occasions as alleged above.
- 28. The Equal Credit Opportunity Act and Regulation B, 12 C.F.R. Section 202.9(b)(1) requires a creditor (here Respondent First Call Mortgage) to give an ECOA Notice to the consumer when an adverse action is taken and must comply with The Equal Credit Opportunity Act and Regulation B, 12 C.F.R. Section 202.9(a)(2), as mentioned above. The notification, among other information, shall include the name and address of the federal agency that administers compliance with respect to the creditor (here First Call Mortgage). Each of the above named Respondents violated this federal law on at least four occasions as alleged above.
- 29. 16 C.F.R. Section 314.3 Standards for Safeguarding Customer Information, states that the licensee must develop, implement and maintain a comprehensive information security program that is written in or more readily accessible parts and contains administrative, technical and physical safeguards. Each of the

- above named Respondents violated this federal law on at least one occasion as alleged above.
- 30. 16 C.F.R. Section 314.4(a), Standards for Safeguarding Customer Information, states that the licensee's information security program is required to designate an employee or employees to coordinate the program. Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above.
- 31. 16 C.F.R. Section 314.4(b), Standards for Safeguarding Customer Information, states that the licensee is required to perform and document a risk assessment. Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above.
- 32.16 C.F.R. Section 314.4(c), Standards for Safeguarding Customer Information, states that the licensee is required to design, implement and regularly test safeguards in place. The Respondents have violated this provision on one occasion as alleged above.
- 33. 16 C.F.R. Section 314.4(d), Standards for Safeguarding Customer Information, states that the licensee is required to enter into contracts with third party providers to ensure those parties implement and maintain safeguards. Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above.
- 34.16 C.F.R. Section 314.4(e), Standards for Safeguarding Customer Information, states that the licensee is required to evaluate and adjust the information security program. Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least one occasion as

- 35. 24 C.F.R. Sections 3500.2 and 3500.8, Regulation X, Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, provides that for loans originated by a mortgage broker that closes a federally related mortgage loan in its own name in a table funding transaction, the lender is the person to whom the obligation is initially assigned at or after settlement. Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least six occasions by failing to provide the name of the Lender in Section F of the HUD Settlement Statement.
- 36. 24 C.F.R. Section 3500.14(b) and (d), Regulation X, Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, provides that no person or entity shall give or accept any fee or "thing of value" for the referral of business. A "thing of value" includes, but is not limited to, monies, discounts and payments for another person's expenses. Each of the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least forty-one occasions as alleged above.
- 37. 24 C.F.R. Section 3500.14(c), Regulation X, Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, provides that a charge by a person for which no or nominal services are performed or for which duplicative fees are charged is unearned fee and violates this section. Each of the above named Respondents has violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above.
- 38. RSA 397-A:18, I provides that the Department may issue a complaint setting forth charges whenever the Department is of the opinion that the licensee or person over whom the Department has

jurisdiction, has violated any provision of RSA 397-A or orders thereunder.

- 39. RSA 397-A:21, IV provides that any person who, either knowingly or negligently, violates any provision of Chapter 397-A, may upon hearing, and in addition to any other penalty provided for by law, be subject to an administrative fine not to exceed \$2,500, or both.

 Each of the acts specified shall constitute a separate violation, and such administrative action or fine may be imposed in addition to any criminal penalties or civil liabilities imposed by New Hampshire Banking laws.
- 40. RSA 397-A:21,V provides that every person who directly or indirectly controls a person liable under this section, every partner, principal executive officer or director of such person, every person occupying a similar status or performing a similar function, every employee of such person who materially aids in the act constituting the violation, and every licensee or person acting as a common law agent who materially aids in the acts constituting the violation, either knowingly or negligently, may, upon notice and opportunity for hearing, and in addition to any other penalty provided for by law, be subject to suspension, revocation, or denial of any registration or license, including the forfeiture of any application fee, or the imposition of an administrative fine not to exceed \$2,500, or both. Each of the acts specified shall constitute a separate violation, and such administrative action or fine may be imposed in addition to any criminal or civil penalties imposed.

III. RELIEF REQUESTED

The staff of the Department requests the Commissioner take the following Action:

- Find as fact the allegations contained in section I of this Staff
 Petition;
- 2. Make conclusions of law relative to the allegations contained in section II of the this petition;
- 3. Pursuant to RSA 397-A:17, order each of the above named Respondents to show cause why their license should not be revoked;
- 4. Pursuant to RSA 397-A:18, order each of the above named Respondents to immediately Cease and Desist from violations of this chapter;
- 5. Assess fines and administrative penalties in accordance with RSA 397-A:21, for violations of Chapter 397-A, in the number and amount equal to the violations set forth in section II of this Staff Petition;
- 6. Pursuant to RSA 397-A:16, IV and RSA 397-A:21, order the Respondents to refund any and all commissions and application fees received or charged from consumers from loans processed through the Portsmouth, NH branch office when it was unlicensed;
- 7. Pursuant to the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, order the Respondents to refund the yield spread premium of \$7,297.50 charged to Consumer A but not disclosed to Consumer A;
- 8. Pursuant to the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act, order the Respondents to refund the \$89.00 duplicate recording fee charged to Consumer F; and

1	9. Take such other administrative and legal actions as necessary for
2	enforcement of the New Hampshire Banking Laws, the protection of New
3	Hampshire citizens, and to provide other equitable relief.
4	IV. RIGHT TO AMEND
5	The Department reserves the right to amend this Staff Petition and to
6	request that the Commissioner take additional administrative action. Nothing
7	herein shall preclude the Department from bringing additional enforcement
8	action under RSA 397-A or the regulations thereunder.
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